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Deadline looming to apply for litter awards

BATON ROUGE – The deadline to submit an application or nomination for the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality's Keep Louisiana Beautiful 2007 state awards is June 15.

Keep Louisiana Beautiful Awards are designed to recognize organizations that have developed outstanding litter prevention, beautification and community improvement, waste reduction, and law enforcement programs in their communities. These award applications should cover program activities for June 1, 2006 through May 31, 2007. Nonprofit, civic and community organizations, youth groups and schools, government agencies and business and professional organizations are eligible to apply. First, second and third place awards may be presented for litter prevention, beautification and community improvement, waste reduction and law enforcement.

If you have someone in your community that provides exceptional leadership in public awareness about litter prevention, roadside and community beautification, solid waste issues and encourage citizen participation, nominate them for the Diane Chandler Award. This special award recognizes outstanding personal achievement in keeping Louisiana beautiful.

Winners of these awards will be announced in August at the Keep Louisiana Beautiful state conference in Lake Charles.

For more information and for applications and nomination forms, go to the DEQ website at www.deq.louisiana.gov/litteraward or call Karen Fisher-Brasher at 225-219-3265.